

CLAIMS

1. An insulating sleeve for a drinking glass of the type having a stem and a bowl, the sleeve adapted to extend about the glass and comprising insulating material, the sleeve having an upper opening and a lower opening, the upper opening having a peripheral edge which, in use, extends about the bowl of the glass, the lower opening being smaller than the upper opening and adapted to extend about the stem of the glass, the sleeve having an elongate releasable closure means extending from one said opening and adjacent to but spaced from the other said opening to allow the one said opening to be enlarged prior to receiving the glass and then reduced so that the sleeve snugly receives the glass therein.
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2. The sleeve as claimed in claim 1, wherein the elongate releasable closure extends from the lower opening and adjacent to but spaced below the upper opening to allow the lower opening to be enlarged prior to receiving the glass.
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3. The sleeve as claimed in claim 1 wherein the elongate closure is a zip.
4. The sleeve as claimed in claim 1 wherein the upper opening of the sleeve comprises an edge of a band, the band, in use, extending about the bowl of the glass, the band being elastic to fit snugly about the bowl.
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5. The sleeve as claimed in claim 1, wherein the insulating material is elastic to enable it to stretch to accommodate bowls of different sizes and to enable the sleeve to fit snugly about the bowl.
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6. The sleeve as claimed in claim 1, wherein the lower opening, prior to enlargement, has a diameter of between 1-20mm.
- 30 7. An insulating sleeve for a drinking vessel, the sleeve having an upper opening and a lower opening which are spaced apart, the upper opening and the lower opening having a peripheral edge which, in use, extends about a part of the vessel, the

sleeve having an elongate releasable closure means extending from the lower opening and adjacent to but below the upper opening to allow the lower opening to be enlarged to facilitate attachment of the sleeve to the drinking vessel.